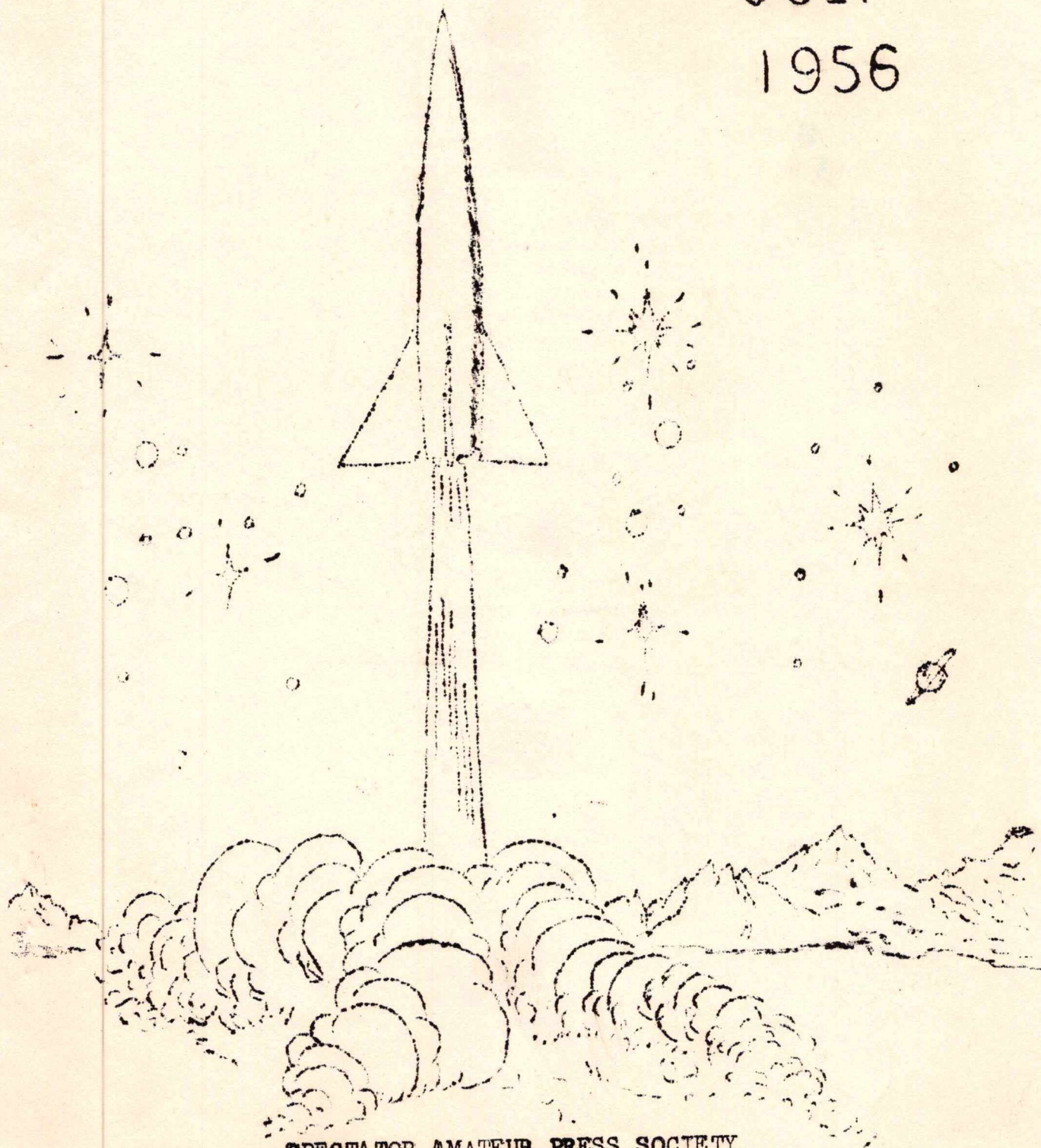


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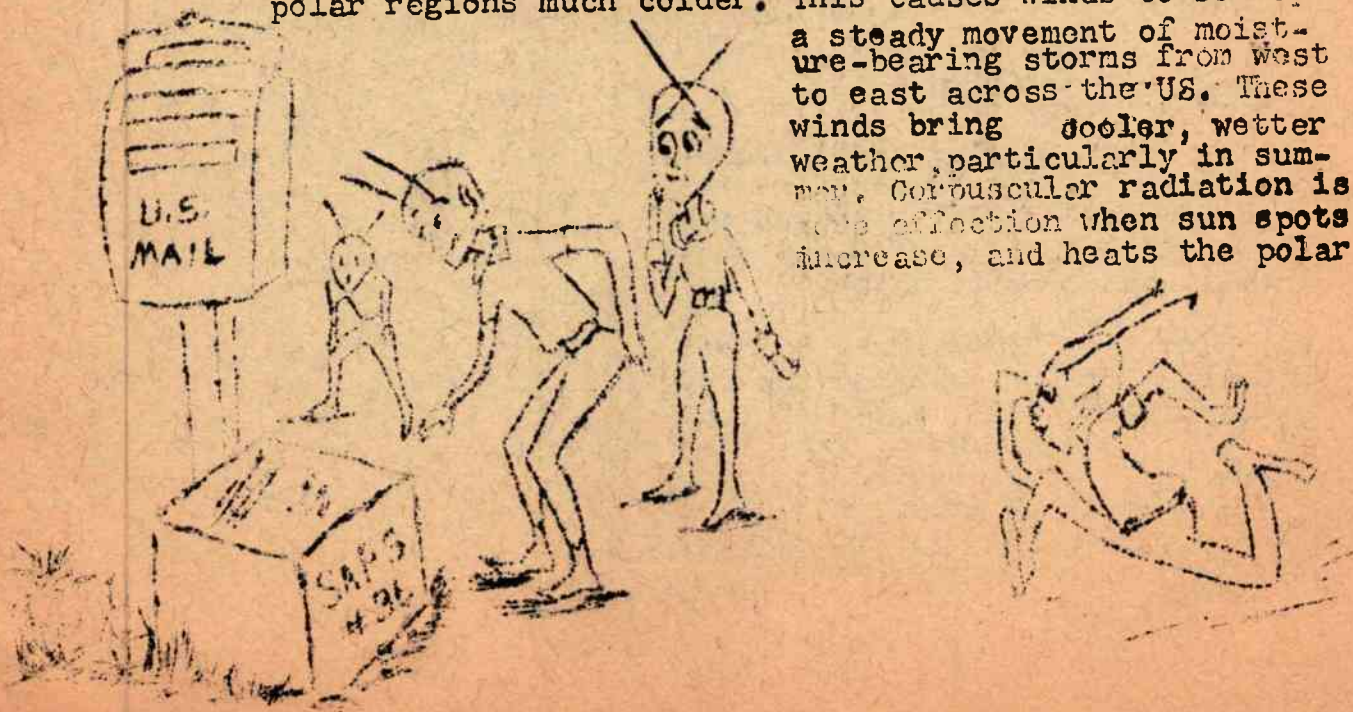
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SOL ON GOOD BEHAVIOR NEXT FORTY YEARS
(Ref: Cooperative Consumer)

Terra is moving out of a dry cycle and into a wetter colder 40 years, according to Dr. H. C. Willett, professor of meteorology at the Mass. Institute of technology. That is for average weather conditions and is based on theory that spots, or storms, on the sun influence weather on earth; Intensity of these spots varies in 80-year cycles, causing 40 wet, cold years and 40 hot/dry. Another 20-year sunspot cycle operates within the 80-year period, and when the dry section of one cycle coincides with the dry section of the other, drought occurs. Willett believes that 1965 or 1970 will see the northern states having the old fashioned winters common to the 1830s, when New York harbor froze solid. For the Plains states (regardless of some present drought areas in the Southern states) there will be more rain and cooler weather in the Midwest for the rest of this century, except for a possible period of "lesser drought" in southern states only from about 1975 to 1980. Records show that the U.S.A recently has passed thru a climate cycle much like in era from 1770 to 1800. Dr. Willett thinks sun spots will be less active the next 40 years. He points out that the cool, wet conditions began in the Western U.S. about 1860, ten years ahead of the more eastern areas just as is happening at present. During the next 40 yrs, the Rocky Mountain glaciers will grow larger and longer. The glaciers have melted down to record lows over the last 50 years. Both energies, ultraviolet rays and corpuscular radiation, sent off by the sun, turn to heat when they hit the earth's atmosphere. Ultraviolet rays are more effective when the sun spots are on the decrease. They heat the equatorial zones and leave the polar regions much colder. This causes winds to set up a steady movement of moisture-bearing storms from west to east across the US. These winds bring cooler, wetter weather, particularly in summer. Corpuscular radiation is more effective when sun spots increase, and heats the polar



regions instead of the tropics. The change pushes the cool, wet westerly winds out of the United States, leaving the country dry and hot. SO, when the sun spot activity is heavy the weather is hot and dry, and when sun spot activity is light, the weather is cool and wet. Right now, the 40 year period of high sunspot activity is drawing to a close.

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Well, that took care of talking about the weather, but I could just mention- that one week in May we had snow and ice & just a few days later it was 90° in the shade! In the summer of 22 there were huge sun spots moving across sol- the atmosphere/ so hazy you could look directly and watch the sun without smoked glasses.

"It was so cold where we were," said the Arctic explorer, "that the candle-light froze and we couldn't blow it out." "That's nothing," said his rival, "Where we were the words came out of our mouths in pieces of ice and we had to fry them to see what we were talking about."

(copied from LABOR)

Snow Marooned Elijah

In the Rocky Mountains of Colorado, Elijah, being the anti-social type, doesn't at all mind ranging the lofty heights. He hates automobiles and gals in skirts.

A rescue team found 10 to 20 feet high snow drifts barring the way. An airlift dropped bales of hay to him. He apparently has been there all winter and is fat, sassy and in good condition. Elijah was identified by two men (brothers), as Bugs, their pack-horse.

(AP. May 11)

Address Wanted by UK Fan

Alan Bramhall has been informed that there is in Los Angeles an International society active in Flying Saucer research. Alan is interested in obtaining the address. Please send it to him if known; or to me if you'd rather, and I'll relay it on.. His address:

Alan Bramhall
25, Greystones Ave.
Sheffield 11, Yorks.
England.

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A meter that measures the moisture in the soil by means of nuclear radiation has been developed by scientists at Iowa State College. Announced as "a tremendous aid to soil-moisture studies" the instrument weighs 50 pounds, is easily portable, and can be operated by one person. Its first public demonstration was at a meeting on the Ames campus, 11th of May. (Cooperative-Consumer)

'ATOMS for PEOPLE'

What Happened to Them ?

This country's program of more & better things for the people thru atomic energy seems to have bogged down. In 1954, by amending the Atomic Energy Act, Congress turned over the atom's peace-time development to private industry, principally to the private electric power utilities. In recent weeks the belief has become general that Britain, France, and Russia all three are forging ahead of the united States in peacetime atomic development. Senators, Representatives, and others are asking: How Come? (Co-op. Consumer).

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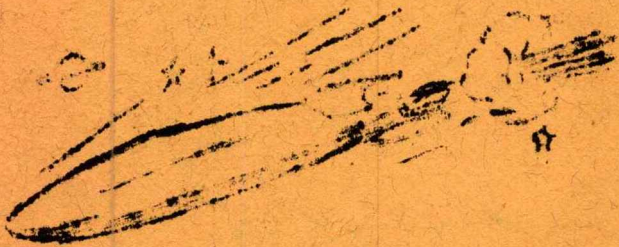
1949- HOPEFUL DREAM -by L.D.Q.

The other night, I had a dream that I was wandering around the Science Fiction Institution. The place was full of Fans. I remember a library filled with scientifiction and non fiction books, promags, fanmags, & other references. What a wonderful sight- fans sitting in comfortable chairs reading, or working at tables writing.

I remember another room full of typewriting desks, mimeographs; drawing tables, stapling machines, and all the other stuff needed to produce mimeographed jobs. Off to one side was an electric mimeograph, buzzing along, shooting out reams of material.

You know sometimes it's nice to dream!!!!!!

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Last night finished reading Z E D. Delicious food that was! Yum, Congratulactions to Karen. Wunnerful.. Am crazy about your little fat BEM having himself a time with Robot-He, that bem always did take my fancy but this issue had me laughing with delight. Hope you give us that illo each mailing. And page 13.. ond of page! HooLAH! rich.. I yelped for my brother- he came, I fead and he howled too.. Karen, you do not have the proper respect. Tsk Then again "from The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle" Greatly hoping for more Also No Place Like Faom amusing... Wolf Wolf by John Watson very good Became absorbed reading it. Cover excellent. You truly went to town with this anniversary issue..

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"Early risers are conceited in the morning and stupid in the afternoon." (SanDiegoAztec)

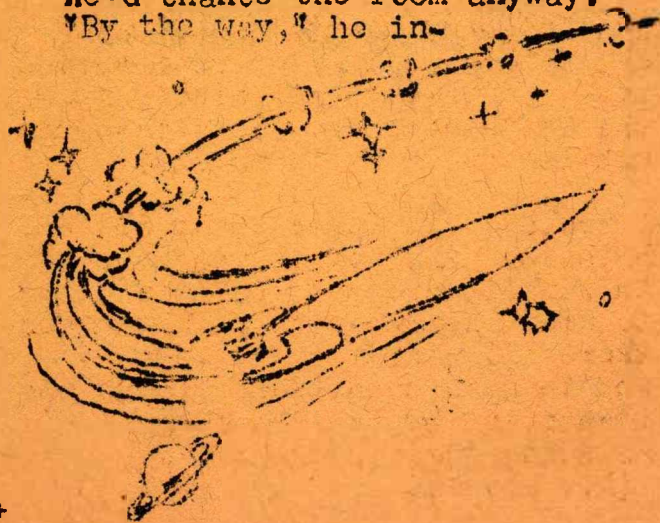
"If anybody steals your thunder, make some more." (Harry Oliver)



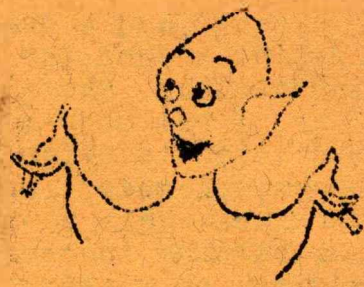
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"Say's Liminatin' Lem: 'I didn't believe in ghosts either, so I said I'd stay in the haunted house. I moved right in and the first night at three o'clock in the morning, a ghost came thru the wall as if there weren't no wall there at all.' 'What did you do?' 'I went through the opposite wall the same way.' " (Harry Oliver)

"The old hotel was crowded and the only room vacant had reputation of being haunted. But the man was weary and decided he'd chance the room anyway. 'By the way," he in-



quired of the evil looking attendant conducting him, 'has any-thing unusual ever really happened in this room?' 'Not for over 30 yrs, sir,' was the reply. 'And what happen then?' asked the guest. 'There was a gentleman who spent the night in it,' related the other, 'and he showed up for breakfast the next morning.' # (H.O.)
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(SCOTTISHE No.6):- "As a beauty I am not a star,
 Ethel There are others more handsome by far,
 Lindsay But my face, I don't mind it,
 'Cos I keep behind it,
 March mlg.OMPA. Tis the people in front get the jar."

Started in reading the Book-Immortal Storm, again and believe will eventually finish it. Seems more interesting.. than when tried last year. Is one fear in minds of many of the fen who write to me; They think it would be better for them if ignored in the next history (if/when another may come out) than given mention. Afraid that is exactly how I feel also.. I'm not attempting to belittle the history I'm only about one/fourth of way in this book and it may become more friendly farther on, but so far the reading.. has made me more often quell ed in fannish morale than not.
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Mailing #36

Persiflage from Wyoming

Science-Fantasy fan, while being the most lovable, nice, pleasing Dears in the whole wide world, are the most disconcertingly UN-predictable mixture of stubborn perplexities to be found for the beating down of the stoutest optimist's morale. An hypothesis may or may not be given later.

Today the wind is the jitter inducing types.

Received March mailing April 9th. Certainly wish EdCo would rejoin.

Liked the Frank Robinson story in March Blue Book. Am sorry the mag is folding, but so far as Fandom is concerned, Blue Book passed a-way years ago.

That's right, the book, Dianetics, rambles all over the place, hardly a break in solid print of a great many pages. Borrowed a copy from State Library some years ago and after reading several chapters, I just skipped thru remainder. Same as Coswal, I was searching to find a chart or summary of some kind..

Hmmm the cover on OUTSIDERS, I am confused. Is that upright figure- supposed to be representation of a really truly human gal? Terra?

Terrible situation not yet knowing who is President of S A F S. The Remus is remiss in his duty & should be reprimanded immediately if not sooner..

Yes, the fan letters of years ago were long and interesting. There were discussions about stories, characters in the plots, predictions how this or that might end, which authors and artists gave us most pleasure and reasons why, and debates about space & atmosphere

around Terra; We wondered if Sol was part of some constellation & if so- what the form might be... We talked about latest discoveries in science and of important inventions, the possibilities of next ten years; were avidly waiting for news from the Big Eye; & we were enthused about letters in promags- had our favorite writers- looked forward to readings of that dept.

One strong factor giving a force to our drive was the release in mind from war strain and thus we were making up for those horrible past years; sort-of rushing to fill our minds with Stf after such a long period of fasting..

However, when Wrai mentions that the peak was "1954" in the correspondence, no doubt his thoughts are in reference to APA groups.. My memory of GENERAL fandom, the peak was hit three years earlier and by 1954 the line had dropped almost to point of invisibility!

Of course, according to Wrai the Ballard, outside of APA groups there is no Fandom, exception being those fans who own & operate mimeos and other publishing machines; and he informs me that I am no more than a N E O because no mimeo did I possess until the month of July 1954, not lone not joining SAPS until end of 1953 ?

I'll admit there is something to his talk; however, I am claiming at least a kindergarten training prior to July 1954..

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A mild bit of insanity is a tremendous help in performing duties of an OE. What's wrong with you anyway, happy or something?
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Jack's statement: "I still want a religion to stick to the idea, Man counts for something." That's my sentiment exactly. But the remark made in reference to BSP and some groups of fem is an entirely different matter. I do not see there is too* a dividing line separating ESP and Scientology. One is just as worthy of study as the other.. Again agree - that's with comment referring to "Nostradam" - I say you can interpret the stuff just about any old way you wish to fit whatever pleases your fancy- same way with book of "Revelations." I think the less we read such the longer we'll retain our sanity. (*great)

Hah! No, don't ask the Interorbital. If you're anxious to spend your money in a foolish way just send it to me with the maiden name of your great- Uncle in-law's great grandmother and a box top from powdered soap- and I can give you just as good an Astrology reading as the mags give if not a lot better- gugiwetaRacket!

Reminds me- I threw away 25¢ buying the book "Forbidden Planet." Started out fine, considering, and I was interested until the girl was drug into story by nape neck, and that wasn't bad enough, there had to be all that corny weird to really make a reader SICK.. eek!

Then there was a biff boom bang.. knock 'em down drag 'em out named "the bright Phoenix" Man! if you like gore - brawn and more gore.. This is there book-plenty lowbrow

Hello Wally. Agree with you, TAPP voting was completely haywire..

This new zine in our midst, A Dry Martini has appearance of a pro's publication. Well, since I never attend church, haven't for 25 or more years, can give partial answer only. I'm set-head anti any thing or organization which tries

to work on a person's emotions instead of his intelligence. There have been times had I avoided doing the things I wanted to, a lot of trouble would have been escaped, and there were other times if I had gone ahead doing as wanted, instead of listening to advice & following it, I would have found much happiness.. So, until we are able to see the future as a past event.. how is it possible to figure things out with much surety..

A Perfect Come-Back - Classic!

"That wasn't the zine itself that stank. 'Twas just the new fangle perfumed mimeo ink I used."

Couldn't have found a better. Wish I'd said that..

The Fred Remus "All Tuckered Out By Time" is type of writing wish I could do. A real lift to read on a gloomy day.

Read all the letters in NANDU.. They are well written but I just can't seem to get interested. Is due to mental laziness caused by too many years "all work and no play" - The query about the words came in letter from an ISFOCER.. Later wrote saying he got them in a Believe it or Not item(I think that's the source he gave- would have to find the last letter)and here are the words:

Level, Rotor; Madam; Minim; Refer; Tenet; Sagas; Shaks; Seses; Stets; Seves; Sekes; Samas; Sapas, Saval, Rever, Solos, Seles.

Suspect you'd have to look in an unabridged to find all.. Any way I couldn't check with my desk dictionary and haven't yet tried my large unabridged outfit- As I said afore- am lackadaisical now

Neither can I remember who could have been in our room. Fact is I think must have been another room

Laughed (at myself) reading that U
threw out old fanzines. For two or
three years I have been in a sorry
state trying to decide which ones
could be disposed of; However, I'd
never even dream of destroying any
issues of SIANT and HYPHEN. I sent
whole file Q to an English Club a-
bout three years ago and should be
mailing balance to same address, &
am thinking that Robert could have
all of the OOPSLAs if wants them..

Appreciated that bit about Dawn. I
liked Nandu and feel a conscience
nag at not making many comments.

Enjoyed most of the rhymns in this
E P A C E W A R P. Especially went
for and laughed heartily over the
one titled "Visionary." So often
true in life- Mountains seldom are
cause of waterloos- but unexpected
petty obstructions..can ruin all..

Hi! Aggie. Hope you have sine this
mailing. Hello Norman! Ger A.! How
ard Lyons! Congratulations George.
Welcome to OEShip Big Heart H.D.

Word from Lee Riddle is that PEON
is to be mailed about 30th June
from Monaco on the Mediterranean.

Night of 15th and 16th of May the
North-West sky had beautiful dis-
play unusual form Northern-lights
Appeared as soft white, slightly
tinted at times with pink, rolling
fog-like clouds about half way up
toward zenith. Then there were a
few vertical curtains would form
and disappear below the more un-
usual shapes.

Up in Maine, Arthur French shot a
trapped bear but the bear charged
and sank its teeth into French's
leg below the knee; Then Arthur
reloaded his rifle, killed bear
with second shot, pried open jaws
of the beast and hobbled home.

May 13 - 19 Art said "National
Make It 500 Pages Week."

A man who said he was from Fort
Lauderdale, Fla., had an attorney
of Boston to draw up a thirty
million dollar will, and gave a
\$25.00 check -- which bounced!!

Shortages of skilled manpower
in fields requiring techno-
logical training are working
to the advantage of 1956 Col-
lege graduates.

"Eternity is so vast--Who can
comprehend it?" said speaker.
"Perhaps," said the little
man in the back row, "You nev-
er bought anything on the
monthly payment plan."

Atlanta Ga. Daily Journal, (AP)
A man living on the East bank
of the Rio Grande, discovered
that his 20 x 24 foot home had
disappeared. He found it sever-
al miles away in in the hills
on the opposite bank of river.
The police are as puzzled as
is everyone else who knew of
the house.

DOUBT-#52 (Sky & Telescope)--
Plato, lunar crater northeastern
top at end of "alps" and above
Mare Imbrium, the following have
been observed visually and pho-
tographically:

1) under exact repeated condi-
tions the shadows of the mount-
ains bordering the crater caus-
ed by the setting sun have chang-
ed shapes drastically.

2) at times the floor of Plato
appears to be convex, and at
other times concave.

3) on the floor of the crater
appear smaller craterlets which
sometimes number in the seven-
ties, at other times only a doz-
en are seen, and at still other
times, the floor is perfectly
smooth.

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(Pittsburg Press. January 8 1956)
Fiore Pignaturo bought a painting at auction and found a piece of newspaper wedged into the frame. It was from the Providence Journal, 1/1/1897, giving a story saying that "earth men were in touch with Mars men through a kind-of Morse code."

Any of you folks ever hear piano march- A Signal From Mars ? Was popular first twenty years this century.

(Ibid, February 13, 1956)
After 10 years of research at the Annamalai U of South India, Dr. C. T.N. Singh reports that hydrilla, sugar cane, tapioca and sweet potatoes--to name no more--brow better and faster if they are sung to, and show a marked preference for the female voice.'

Sunday Dispatch. December 25, 1955.
A satellite, whether artificial or not, weighing between 10 and 20 tons, is already circling Terra 400 miles above the equator.

From JSU-- You quote RAP that the thing to do with an error is to learn by it and then forget. Well for some reason it reminds me of an editorial by John Campbell; not that subject matter is the same, but Mr. C. has been discussing psi factors and the need for such basic research. I gather that in the area of psi many persons are in the intuition stage; many scientists have become scientists by following the principles of keeping records, doing research and the like until certain relations become known, and at that time the material studied deserves to be called "Scientific" and the previous hit-or-miss approach can be over-looked in teaching the science to others. In such case, each science evolves from nonscientific precedents. In a way John is saying the scientists must forget mistakes too, perhaps. Yes, maybe both editors would agree..

Looking up at that calendar wa
resisting to take it down & see
what he said every week. Will
be more interesting if I wait
for time to pass- and start
the weeks correctly that is to
say- whenever possible for
my type nature.. There must be
terrific amount time and work
in stencilling this calendar..

TO SAPS

- Burke Davis

Ah, all of you are mad! And yet we love you well, though we do not understand you one whit more than ourselves. We find you difficult, and amusing, but wild and charming beyond description.

A word or more about my illos-
The rockets are traced- hands
are not steady long enough to
draw free made up extended line
(if that is understandable you
are real quiz kids) I can copy
easily but, with exception of
a few tiny ships, haven't yet
tried in so far as rockets are
concerned- Any fine appearing-
tree you may see in my zine is
part copy and part trace- Most
of the time I search newspapers
and mags (slicks) for some pic
showing the movement-lines I
need - then I trace a stick-
figure from the printed illo
and then I fill in to suit my
own ideas.. Ever so often I'll
have a figure nearly finished
but can't seem to get right
line- usually in the arms- to
finish.. and that's when the
search begins- Often possible
to just study the one found of
nearest type wanted- and even
if it is too small or too big
you can reduce or enlarge with
just a bit of practice- am of
course not here talking to any
one who has had training in art
The difficulty for me is trying

to get the illos stencilled. Is hard for me to see thru because stencil has to lay flat on desk and light is above my head. I enjoy--trying. It is fun for me, therefore you'll have to be tolerant for a while until such time as maybe I'll learn more or lose interest. Years ago, I paid scant attention to fan art but now I like to see a zine with illos better than one without any. Unless the illos are gruesome (the meaning is literal and has nothing to do with quality of work), or sad. Then I'd just as soon they were omitted. No sense looking at things which create a depressive feeling; and that goes same for reading. It is the decent act as well as duty of every human to force own mind to be cheerful not only for health of self but also for all in contact. Therefore it is most unwise to let yourself read and look at anything harmful to the mind- likewise it's foolish to associate with people- who are habitually pessimistic. If at all possible even to extent of being rude, we should avoid those who hold to a gloomy attitude (almost seeming to desire or prefer being sad) and are always apt more to notice the dark side and ignore the hopeful aspect.. Such types as that- can make associates physically ill (quite seriously too) since they have such a bad influence on the mind- And any mental disorder- certainly does make a weak body...

Sort of digressed there, but I've had considerable experience dodging (and trying to avoid) soapbox characters.

And I certainly do not say that we should walk around with a cheshire on our face every minute- ah well

Forgot the saddle for "cute" pony on the blue page.. Did have it on original sketch- you can see? the top half of one stirrup..

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from ALAN BRAITHALL

Some observations on the peculiar activities of photographers specializing in the production of spurious flying saucer pictures.

In my researches on flying saucers, I have from time to time come across two different exponents of this practice. The first category can, broadly speaking, be subdivided into one of two kinds. Both have similar traits, and usually wish to achieve the same objective, but for separate reasons

Category 2 contains a more subtle kind of individual who make use of the same technique. Applying their results however for exactly the opposite purpose. Although they might have identical motives as those of their antagonists... This may not be strictly true in all cases.

Both sorts of innovators appear to have a common purpose, namely captivating or influencing the public, with a view to exploiting any success obtained, for publicity and pecuniary reward. The main ingredients of success are bound-up in the problem of first capturing the public's confidence. To do this, they must persuade them that their claims have been induced by a real interest in the phenomenon, and therefore their efforts are genuine. A few may even claim to be motivated by their recent amazing experiences, which they feel ought to be made public. Most adventurers devote much time and ingenuity in preparing schemes containing all such requirements.. while at the same time concealing their real motives.

Basically then, we have first, "The Deceivers," who claim to possess genuine flying saucer photographs, which are usually

exhibited in an attempt to prove they witnessed a strange event, involving the appearance of a flying saucer. I shall call them group "A."

The other type, group "B" are not so much interested in the phenomenon as such, but in the opportunity presented by such an occurrence to claim they were probably the first to obtain actual flying saucer photographs. In order to endorse the claim, some kind of story, together with witnesses has to be thought up.

You will have noticed, photographs are used in two ways:

"A" group use photographs as additional evidence, helping to establish the actuality of event.

"B" group use the event in an attempt to validate authenticity of photographs.

"The Disclaimers," are a homogeneous body of people, whose most urgent desire is to demonstrate how comparatively easy flying saucer photographs can be produced by means of various tricks. Numerous methods are elucidated, generally including, how to make and use models. A warning however is added indicating, the manipulators should be reasonably competent before undertaking such a task.

Examples of these experts' creations are sometimes presented in a deceptive manner...in order to trap unsuspecting individuals, and when they are certain their victims have been led astray, they then sarcastically announce the nature and purpose of their conspiracy. If the indignant victims protest, these misguided intellectuals slightly suggest, it was their idea of a joke. And then go on to say, "We were only trying to show how simply people can be misled." From that I suppose, one is intended to infer, that the experts would

never be so gullible as to allow themselves to be caught. Nevertheless, I detect a fatal mistake in our experts' conclusion, arising out of the experiment... Which is, because flying saucer photographs can be faked, it follows that other photographs must be fakes. Undoubtedly this is what they are implying. Such a conclusion arrived at by single limited method, appears to me far too flimsy, and does not justify making so far reaching a claim.. Let me try to demonstrate the error by a simple example.

Suppose I had actually taken a real photograph of one of these objects. If I were a total stranger and produced the photograph for examination, these people would according to their theory, after careful scouting, suggest the image on the emulsion had been created. At this juncture, we arrive at the crux of the disputation. Can the experts prove or substantiate their suggestion? I rather doubt if they could. Certainly not from the result of experiment which in this case refers to something quite different. I think they are forming supposition from either conjecture or inference, and it is unreliable in the extreme. While the experiment is intended to prove a particular point, it is in fact superfluous as a test for faked photographs. I believe individuals behind schemes like these may possibly be using them as vehicles for their disbelief; At the same time attempting to create an impression of intellectual sagacity with regard to matters appertaining to flying saucers.

Having now outlined a rather contentious situation, I wish to make a few comments on the difficulties involved. I must admit provisionally, I am unable to see any easy way out of the dilemma. Due mainly to the incompleteness of flying-saucer research. The type of object most popular with artists and

photographers appears to be the one whose name is derived from the shape of its silhouette. It has been described frequently as bearing a remarkable resemblance to that of a common piece of crockery namely a saucer. I do not think that is a very apt description since the object, if viewed from a short range, presents back superstructure and under-surface conicality. At a considerable distance away however, I suppose much of this would become indiscernible. I have noticed up to the present time other types of spacecraft (included under the heading "Flying Saucer") have so far been omitted from our "Mountebanks" questionable enterprises. I think there may be two reasons for this:

1. Very few photographs are available, taken by prima facie investigators, from which others are able to reconstruct copies without fear of detection.

2. Owing to the 'Saucer' type being more universally known, (possibly because it is more often seen). It is to some extent, at least, more acceptable to the public. And therefore, lends itself more readily to this sort of obnoxious practice.

(Plausability or acceptability very often goes with what tends to become common-place, due to the passing of time) - (A degree of popularity can occasionally arise out of something being well known if not always understood)

It is as yet, though some may disagree, difficult to state the object's precise physical dimensions including all those intricate details of construction, which would all seem to be measurable. I have never heard of anyone who carried out an accurate survey for the purpose of producing a reliable set

of values. Unfortunately even if such work was completed, the figures compiled might not be applicable to all classes of spacecraft. It seems from witnesses' observations there are numerous designs. Therefore, if details related to one type and were used for another much confusion would ensue. Most measurements stated are approximate estimates, while being important, nevertheless only convey a rough idea of size (perhaps shape also). For comparative identification such values are inadequate. Various types then, aggravates still further a most involved problem.

Precise identification is what is urgently required, based on measurements which have been accurately ascertained; There are of course other means, but I am confining myself to what seems most useful when dealing with photographs. I do not wish to get involved in the technicalities of photography. There are many people more qualified to write on the subject than I am. However, the dimensional characteristics of an object bear a relationship to those of the image on the negative. Allowing for errors, distortions, etc., the chief difference is one of scale only. The camera cannot alter some sizes and not others. All are generally effected the same. Ratio of change being the result of distance producing a diminishing scale. (set at infinity)

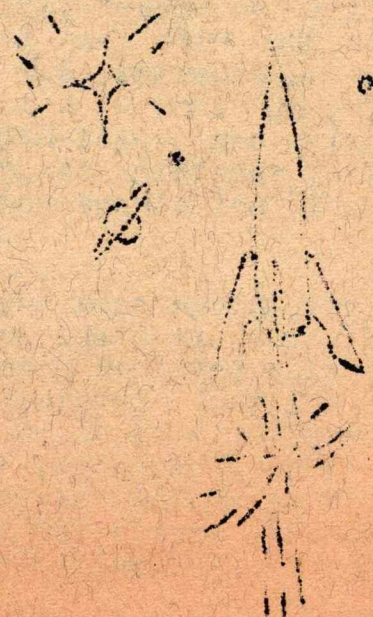
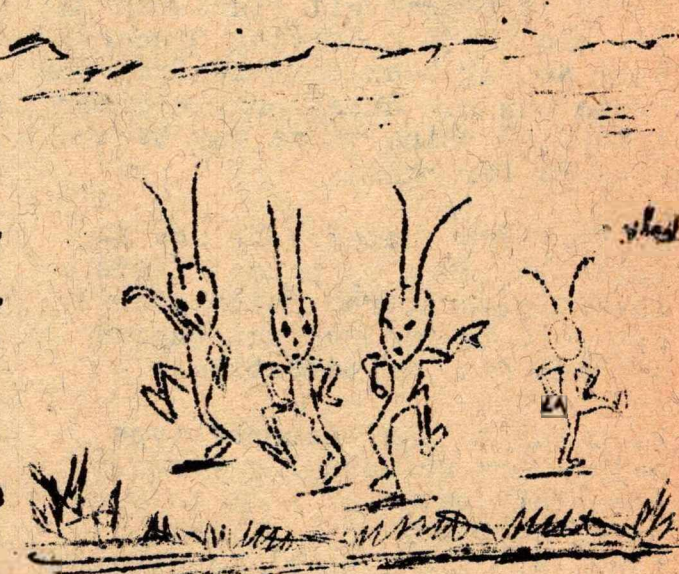
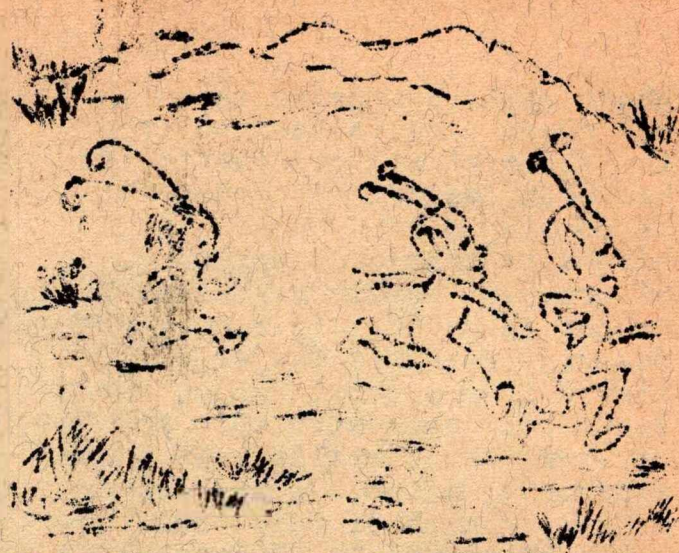
(A large object would have to be taken many feet away to get it in) An orthographic drawing made to scale, or an enlargement, should show whether the image corresponded to the original or not. People producing faked photographs would then be obliged to make models, if they used them correctly in every detail. Scale scenery, foreground, background, light, etc. would all have to be taken more seriously into account. This I think would

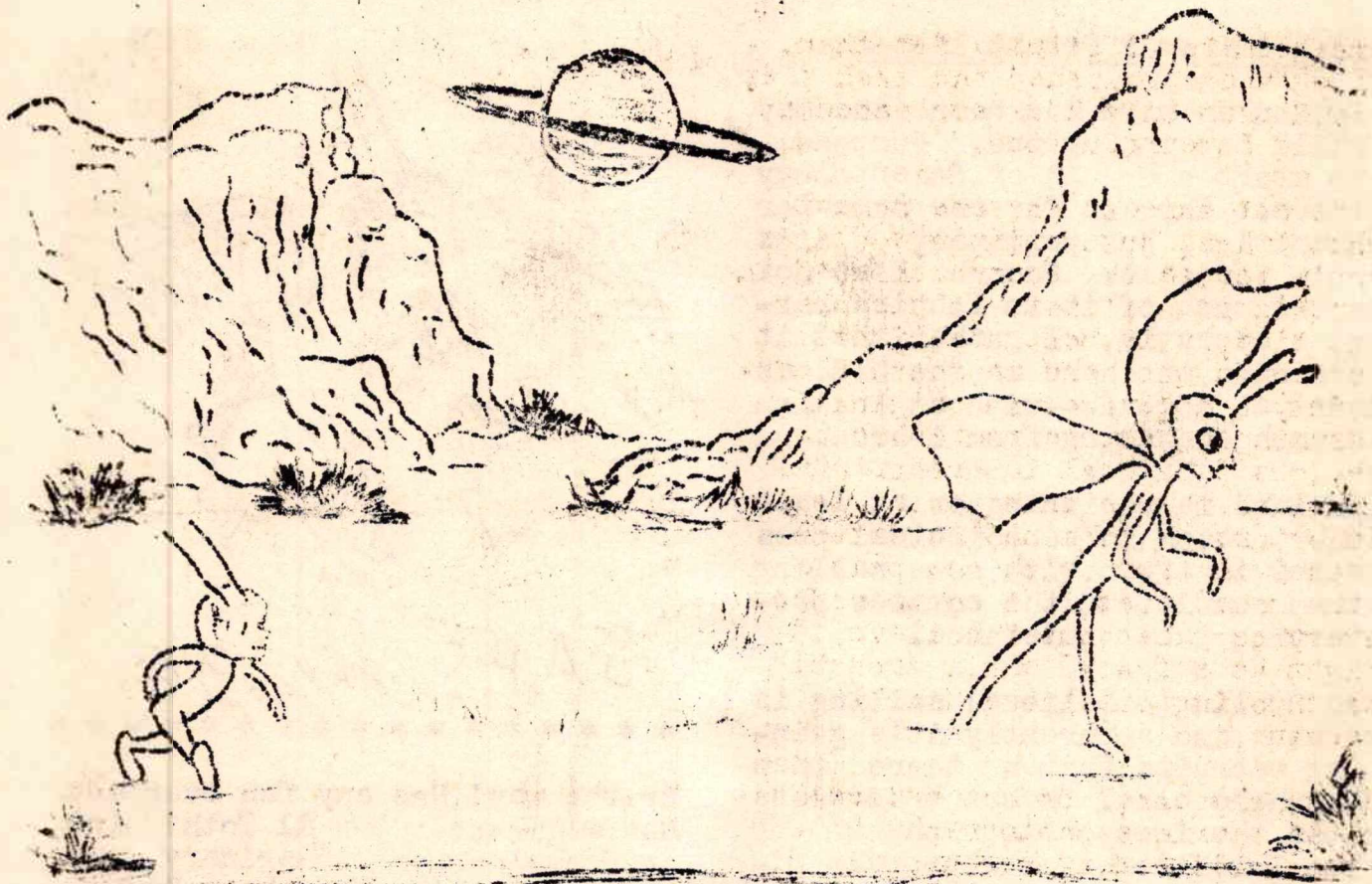
create more difficulty for them. If they accomplished the task they would then only have succeeded in making a reproduction.

I do not suggest for one moment what I have just written, would or could settle the controversy. I am certain it will not. At the present time, it is most problematical to decide with any reasonable certainty a fake from an original. Assuming of course there are no obvious technical imperfections. (In a case like that it is most important to examine the actual negatives from which the prints were made). Yet if I am to reject every copy because I believe it might be a fake, I shall probably be throwing out those which are genuine.

In conclusion, I do not believe, because spurious photographs have been published, it necessarily discredits the existence of flying saucers. Photographs are only a small part of the evidence of which there is an ever increasing abundance. Some people however seize any opportunity to decry the case for the U.F.O., and material of this type adds much wanted ammunition to the diminishing stacks. It is my firm opinion, if such individuals or groups were to turn their abilities to a more constructive aspect of the research, much of the present inflated importance attached to these prints would become superfluous.

As with all now far reaching projects or situations arising out of events not thoroughly understood at the time, it is inevitable there will always be a minority who wish either to cash in or to ridicule and disparage. Historically it has always been so. This being so, I see no reason whatsoever, at this stage, for abandoning the investigation. . . until at some time or other a decisive answer has been found. (A. Bramhall, 14 May 1956)





MY CELLS AND I ONE NIGHT
--J. Stan W.--

You'd call me mad if I told my name,
Or you'd say I slept (how silly)
But I talked one night, on a circuit tight,
And the tale that THEY told was a dilly,
Of the sun and the stars and each wave in all space
They impressed me with feelings of awe,
And some thoughts still remain though some left
with no trace

Of the things that I heard or I saw.
"Go, return to your life, with your struggle," they said
When they tired of my gropings; "You be
The choice of the lot to provide us our feed--
And leave us, the true thinkers, all free."
So I'm back to my job, researching to find
Little secrets; of forces that bind.

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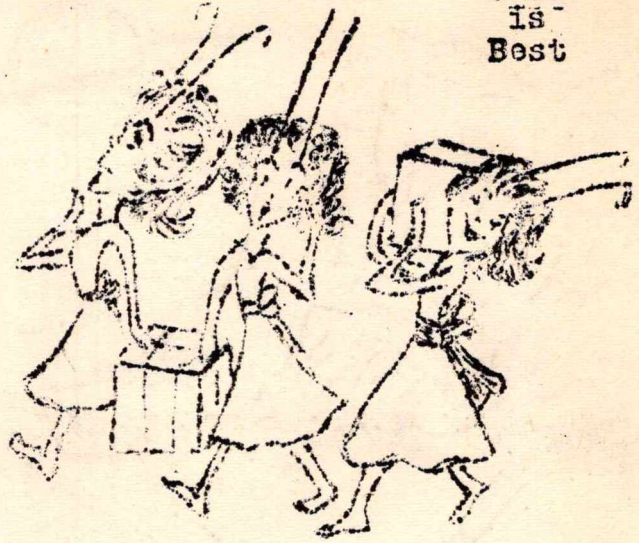
The smallest fort I'll ever know
Is found inside a cell, to grow
Into a thing that's quite complex--
Complete with arms, and legs, and necks....

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Lifted from a recent letter:

SAPS
is
Best

L. Ron Hubbard has been (and may still be) in Ireland. Purpose:- to start a branch of Scientology there. This is the new name for Dianetics, but primarily it's much the same. Though I've not heard much of it in fannish circles recently, I gather that it is expanding here in the U.S, as well as abroad---with an English branch emanating from London.



England is resisting, or at least there seems to be political pressures involved, with some calling them commie, and the commies protesting their existence.

S.A.P.S mlg. 36.

In Dublin (I believe) sailing is smooth, and apparently it's gaining recruits faster there than anywhere else. Hubbard suggests it's the independent spirit of the Irish combined with the newness of the concept there. Apparently Ireland is far enough out of the beaten path that there hasn't been propaganda either pro or con Scientology or Dianetics, and it's being introduced by group meetings given free and clinics for pay also as follow-ups.

By the way! Has any fan ever met Nan/ML/Share? And Al Toth? Are they authentic or imaginary.. I would ask this same about Remus, but I met a fan at Philly claiming to be Fred the Remus.. I am going to be mighty suspicious in regard to fan names from now on.

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Just today- rec'd word that there is no such person as Joan W. Carr. I am completely flabbergasted!!!!

For instance- Aggie Harook!

And come to think of it- Devore says that he saw us (NanG and I) at Philly but didn't introduce-- himself to us for a reason (given in mlg.#35)..

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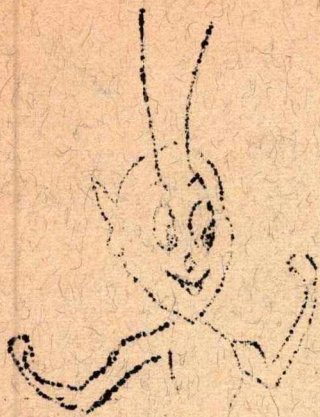
What I'm wondering about now is:.. Does any one know absolutely sure that Sgt. H. P. Sanderson is REAL?

FAPA must be mixed up in all this somewhere.. Is "Sanderson" on the membership list of FAPA?

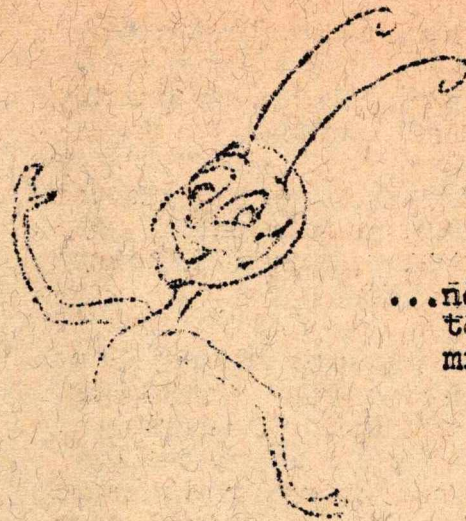
Tucker, Bloch and Willis are listed.. hhhhhhhhhhh!!!! So is Ballard..

What really tickles me pink is one minor point but at least funny to my mind- the ISFCC Treasury rec'd double membership dues from Sandy, If there is such a fan; and ISFCC rec'd some good material which was published in the CC. I recall a mention with the name "H.P. Sanderson"

Then I recall Weber saying something very peculiar in mlg.#34.. And strange events have been occurring in SAPS.. Fred not reporting the poll results; a mafia-like 35 mlg; disappearance of waitinglist ers, EdCo silent; NanG giving ESP tests; and no BrassTacks in aSF!!

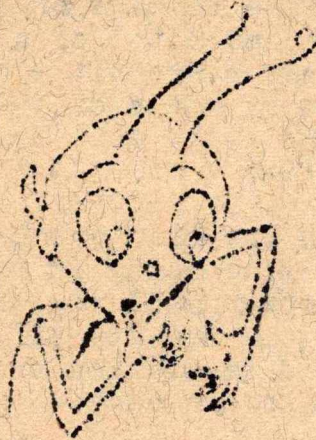


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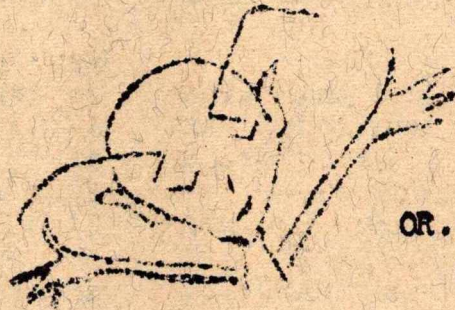
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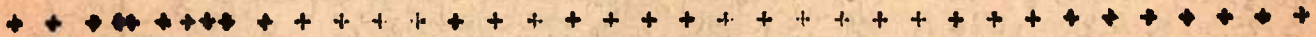
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May be..
the
Pressure roller?



OR.. Me!



A recruit was being given an intelligence test in the army..
"What would happen if one of your ears was cut off by a bayonet?"
"I couldn't hear so well."
"What would happen if your other ear was cut off?"
"I couldn't see."
"What do you mean?"
"My hat would fall down over my eyes." (LABOR newspaper)

An elderly lady was escorting two little girls around the Zoo. While they were looking at the stork, she told them the legend of the ungainly bird---how it was instrumental in bringing them to their mothers. The two children looked at each other in astonishment, and presently one whispered: "Don't you think we ought to tell the poor dear the truth?"

Mind is the partial side of man;
the heart is everything. (Rivarol)

S A P S Is The Best !
Make It 500 Pages Week

Six Las Cruces, N. M., mountain climbers congratulated themselves on being the first to reach the summit of Shiprock Peak which towers 1,700 sheer feet above the desert. And then they found a scroll on the peak, listing nearly 100 climbers who had already been there!

Unsuccessful author: "After I'm gone the world will realize what I have done." Companion: "Well, don't worry about it, old chap. You will be out of harm's way then."

Man lived at least a million yrs ago, twice the time indicated by previous evidence... That's what Archeologist Alfred Rust said recently after he dug up 50 ancient sandstone tools near Meiningen in Germany.

I'm disappointed that we have so few fem members.. only four listed in last CO.

Three weeks ago, I had this zine up to 35 pages and mentioned it in letter to Wrai.. Later decided to take a good long look at the material.. and that checked my bragging immediately- also, it greatly reduced the page amount. Destroyed a lot - makes me shiver to think I might have inflicted the stuff on you nice people. Were many full page illos wasting paper and the others seemed korny korn or something- Anyway, didn't think it worth possible-- extra postage may have cost SAPS

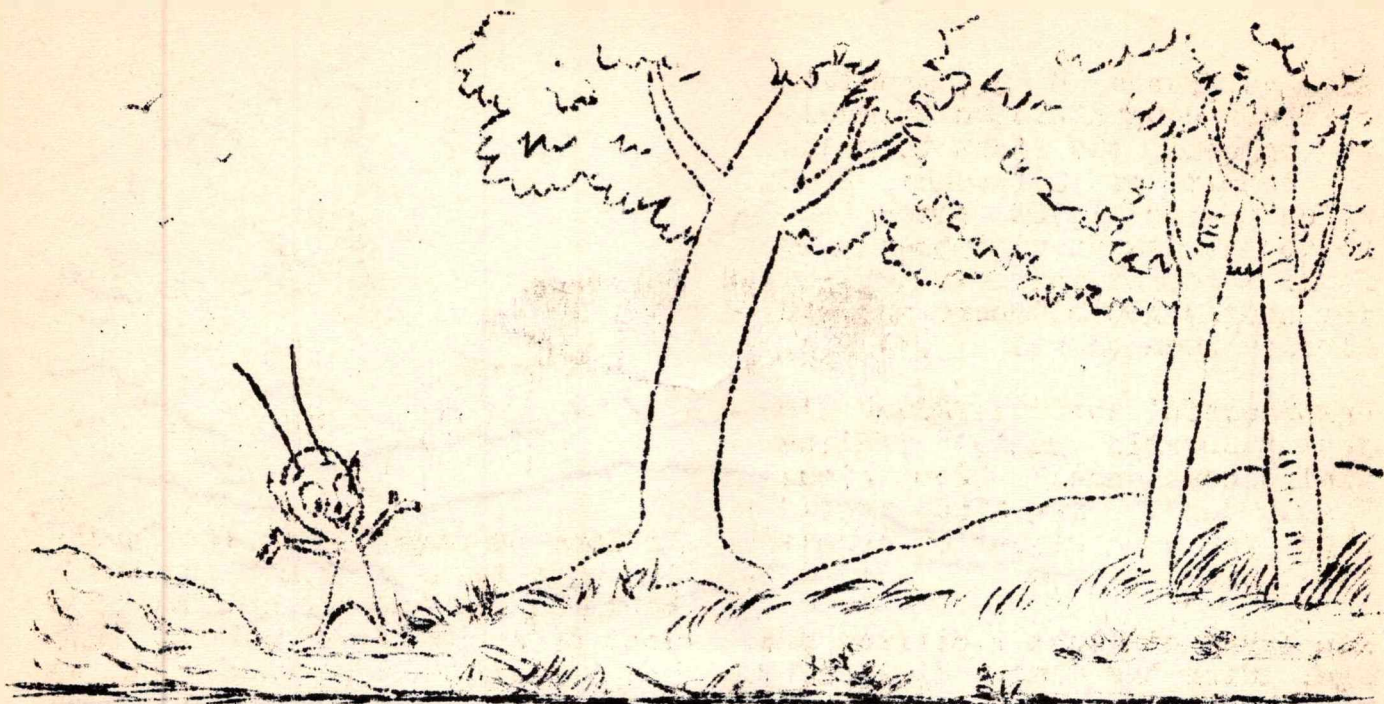


Is fine to make effort at increasing page total of a mailing, but I became a wee bit too enthused and lost my sense of judgement. Some pages still make me uneasy but am in that condition-state of mind every mailing- so, better not discard any more or might never get the zine ready in time. And guess I better mail pkg to OE soon as I get the new stencils mimeo'd and avoid temptation present when the papers are here.

Much mail waiting answers- Members of SAPS, NFFP, ISFCC, LIT, and fans everywhere I've had time but no mood, ambition, nor energy- Just plain old laziness maybe. Gafmoi. Bones tired I suspect, But afterward comes the times- will wonder what caused it Such lack of inspiration and pure hill-billy drifting along..HoHum type movements..



However, right at this time (and since weeks back), all my head can dream about is a thought- how wonderful it would be- if my son and I could have a home hidden in some mountain canyon- at least 100 miles from this so-called civilization- and noise A place where we'd not have even one clock - just quiet calm all around us in every direction..Hal



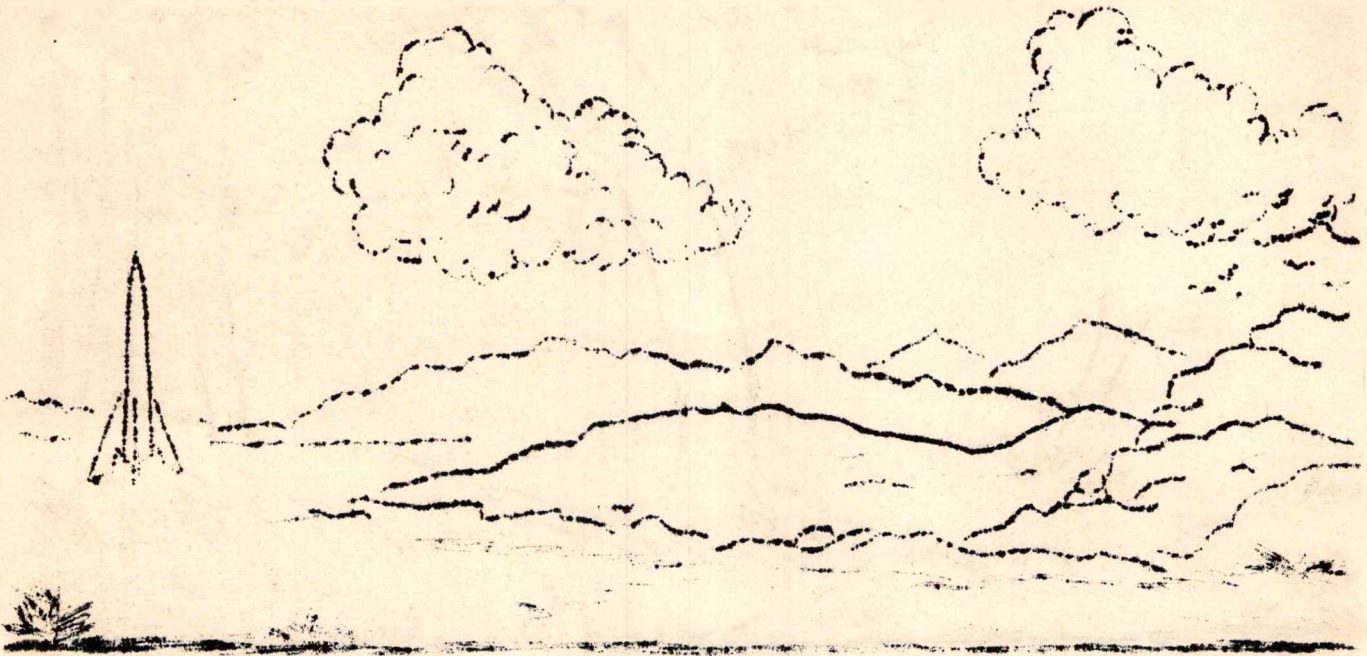
In a current issue of one of the more reliable newspapers there's a column headed "SEE DANGER IN ATOM RADIATION Scientists Warn of Harm to Heredity," rehashing things we've read many times, and then near end of column, where a reader might be apt to skip over after plowing thru preceding, is this: "Thus the nuclear weapons tests, if continued at rates, of present, appeared to offer little danger. But the scientists expressed shock and surprise at the high rate of exposure from X-rays. They recommended a ceiling of 10 roentgens of average exposure during the first 30 years of life, & urged that individual life-time exposure records be kept for each American.. The X-rays being from medical/dental of course- As I wrote once before, the sure way to find core of a "news" item is to look at the most unlikely located paragraph in an article... One sentence at end "urged great care in, and the application of radiation to foods."

(*in the development of atomic power and the application of..) They stated there was need for the creation of national and International agencies to study the problems and devise safeguards..

In sorting my mags and remembering others still waiting, I'm undecided whether my nature will allow me to give away any issues containing art work of Bok, even though the mags wherein it's to be found not treasured at all.. Life so complicated for a faaan Now if our favorite artists had their illos in mags containing our favorite authors- And in my view point.. it seems it would be a terrible deed if I'd clip items from mags- thus sending a series of publications away to fen, with holes in some pages.. said pages- other sides- having parts of stories- Also- removin cover illos seems a mean trick.. But guess I will at least keep certain covers- Glad that early Astoundings had Cartier because not any of those leave here- Is possible in years from now, probably will.. since every 7 to 10 years my interests go through a complete change- having acquired a new set.



S A P S
is the
B E S T



Going thru the bundle again- Have SPACEWARP on top- Your comments- fascinating- Always are interesting for re-reading any time; and again yelp with pleasure over the top-notch- "Visionary" love it!

Like this cover on Nandu oops I meant NANDU.. It is real fannishly fantasy or -- well I just like! Have a mind to copy and then add things- such as some wee people.. I'd mail a copy to Tom of course. And there's nothing wrong with ba cover either.. Am fond of little poem by Rene last page. Some day hope I'll have ambition enough to DO as said I would- make a booklet of all favorite items in SAPSines Should before too many mailings or I'll be swamped- that is- with the number of favorite items..

When I look at this issue of SAP-ROLLER- I know for certain sure.. that you really are an artist, not only because of the illo lines but the typing, the format.. Oh how I would be bursting with pride ever managed to turn out such a zine!!

Coswal- just about every thing you write is interesting, but usually the print is so crowded it hurts my eyes to read- I like the purple

ink and will have to order some.

And The Dry Martini- Certainly do hope you stay with us a long time We need members of your ability.. that's not the exact word I wanted there but close-

SAPSTYPE -- Probably won't do one bit of good, but again repeat---- WHY not give your own talk, in at least one-third of the zine, also use a HAPPY scene for cover- Is Claudette Scanlan still in Fandom or just a reader now? Liked that item- Earth Satellite Launching..

Remarked in letter to Wrai that I liked most of his former OUTS better than this one but now I'm not sure- this second reading a slow reading certainly was entertaining.. so much so that now I can't remember the others clearly.. The "Guest" editorial must be cause.. and the brief history of S A P S O E.s. Think the suggestion that one of the Poll winner automatic ally becomes President is wonderful. That is to say- the top 1st place winner.. the follow-upers could be cabinet members of the President.. err- I mean- members of the President's Cabinet.. And I like idea of only 30 members..



NOBLE, BRAVE AND ON A WHITE HORSE

VANISHING AMERICAN

Foreigners call all Americans "Yankees." Southerners say that Yankees are Northerners. Northerners say that Yankees are from New England States. People in New England say it is the Vermonters who are Yankees. Vermonters reply that a Yankee is just some-one who eats pie for breakfast.

(Jan. 1956 Reader's Digest)

Policeman (to intoxicated man trying to fit key into a lamp post): "I'm afraid there's no body home there tonight."

"Mus' be. Mus' be. Thersh a light upstairsh."

"Men are naturally tempted by the devil, but an idle man positively tempts the devil."

A pearl is often hidden in an ugly shell.

"Use all your hidden forces - Miss not the purpose of this life; Wait not for the circumstance to mold or change your fate. In your own self lies destiny."

The Cosmic religious experience is the strongest and noblest driving force behind Scientific research." (Albert Einstein)

"In Germany, at Heidelberg, they divide a church in two; one half for St. Peter, the other half for Calvin, and between the two is a partition to prevent religious variances terminating in fist-cuffs. The shares are equal; the Catholics have three altars, the Huguenots three altars... And as the services are at the same hours, one bell summons both denominations to prayer; it rings, in fact, both for God and for Satan, according as each (church) pleases to regard it.... Nothing can be more simple." (V. Hugo).

Daniel Boone was asked if he had ever been lost in the woods.. "No, I never got lost," Boone replied reflectively. "But I was bewildered once for three days."

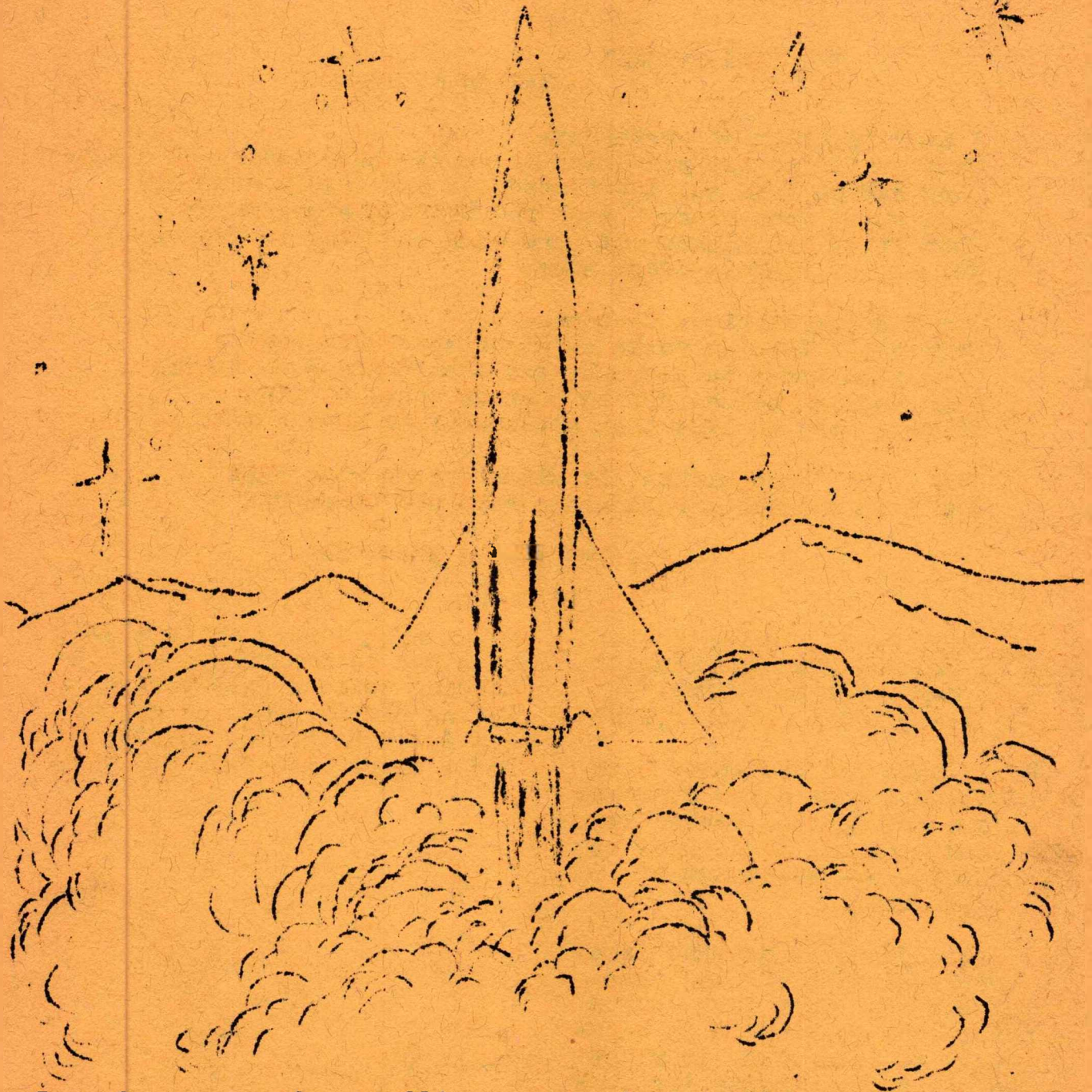
(Constance Lindsay Skinner in-
Pioneers of The Old Southwest)

April 8 - 14, 1956, National At-
tend a Stf Movie And Sner Week.
(Art Rapp)

YOUR POEM -- author not known

In simple stanzas I suggest -- 'Tis you who make them live
My bit of rhyme is but a frame, and if my lines you quote,
I think, although they bear my name 'Tis you who wrote.
Yours is the beauty that you see In any words I sing;
The magic and the melody. 'Tis you, dear friend, who bring
Yea, by the glory and the gleam, The loveliness that lures
Your thoughts to starry heights of dream,
The Poem's yours.

Since the water is filled with life, why not the atmosphere?
(Victor Hugo)



In reference to the satellite now circling Terra 400 miles above the equator; One theory is that it may be an experimental rocket which escaped from earth's gravity and has gone into its orbit in space accidentally because there is reason to believe that one American rocket was lost while being tracked by radar at a height of nearly 200 mi

In Brussels, astronomer M. Ferdinand Rigaux claims to have discovered a new planet between Mars and Jupiter.
(London Times, 1-7-56)

On that same date a Japanese astronomer, Tetsuyasu Mitani, Kyoto U, announced a new planet seen Dec. 9; near the Taurus constellation.

THE TIME TRACKER

- Salton A. Snow

I used to dream of yesterday--
When shellfish now petrified in rocks would squish in puddles;
When sabertooths and low-browed men had deadly huddles;
When giant moon scraped near the Earthly atmosphere;
When first Cro-Magnon met Ogre-clan and fled in fear--
But all of that is swept away.

Now I dream of times to come--
With comet tossing rocks as giant spaceship nears;
With gian domes to keep out gas that'd bring us tears;
With inhuman beings set to push us until we find
There's more to life than action--if we have a mind...

But still, some nights the older dreams come back
And I in spaceship roam along some old time-track.

--"Essay" (S.A.) Snow, Esq.

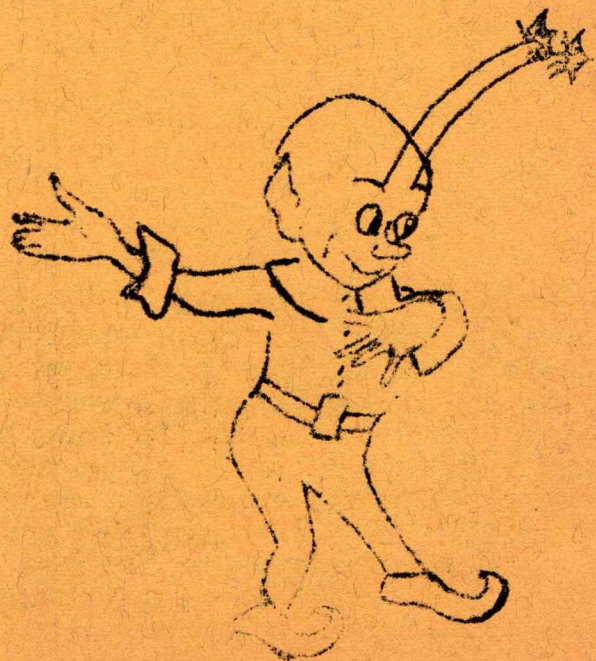
By the way, Fred, I haven't been able to figure out the meaning of that word "Gilgameshing." Please Si-r, interpretation, Yes?

I should have had the above poem illustrated.. made a few attempts of my own but decided better let well enough alone. S. A. Snow is a pseduonym- aw- pseudonym of a well known fan.

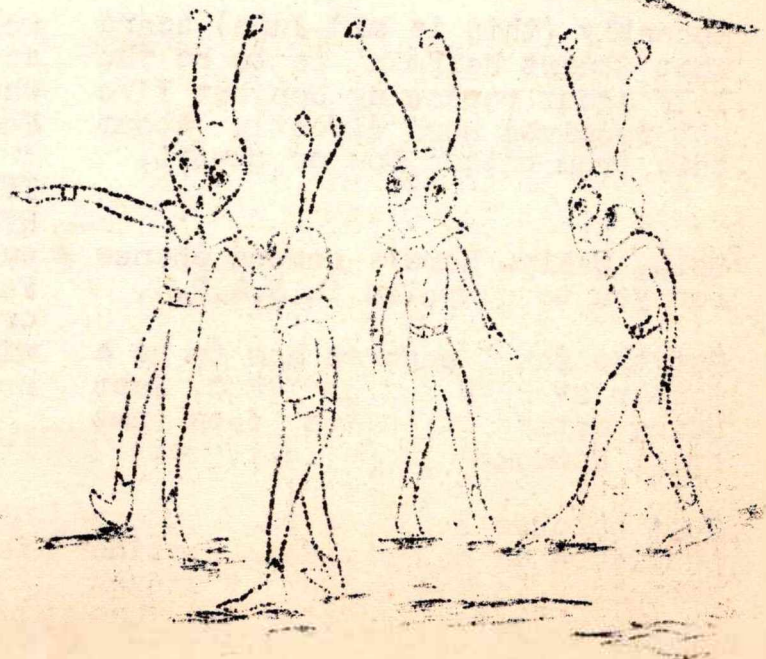
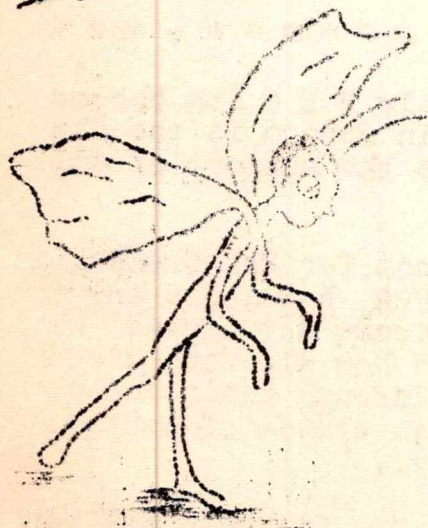
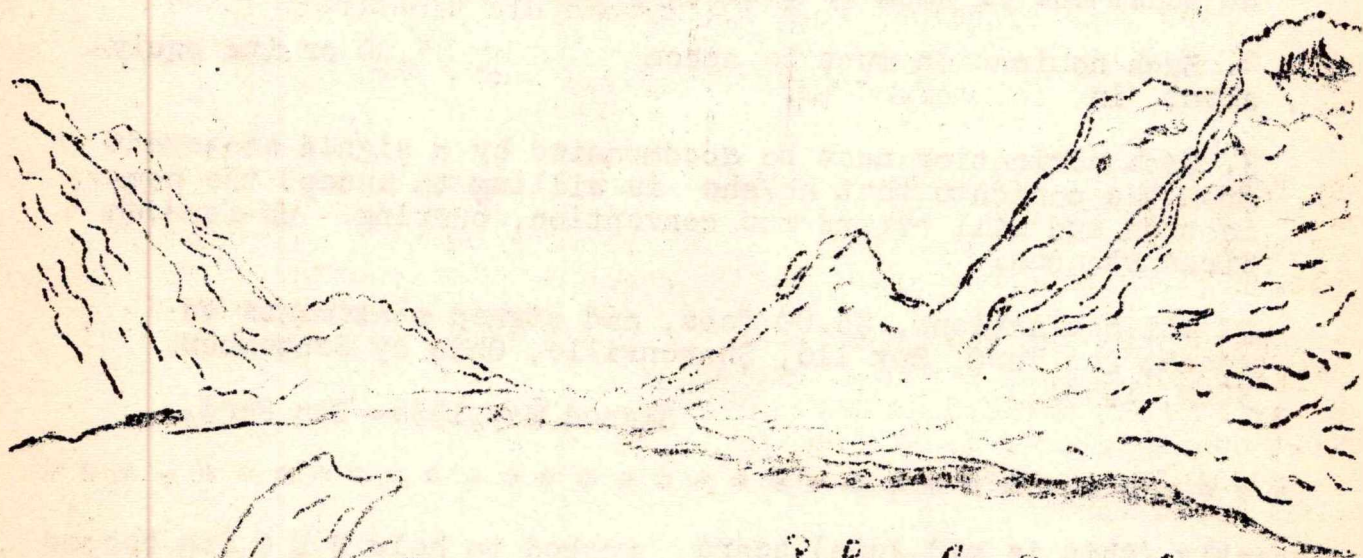
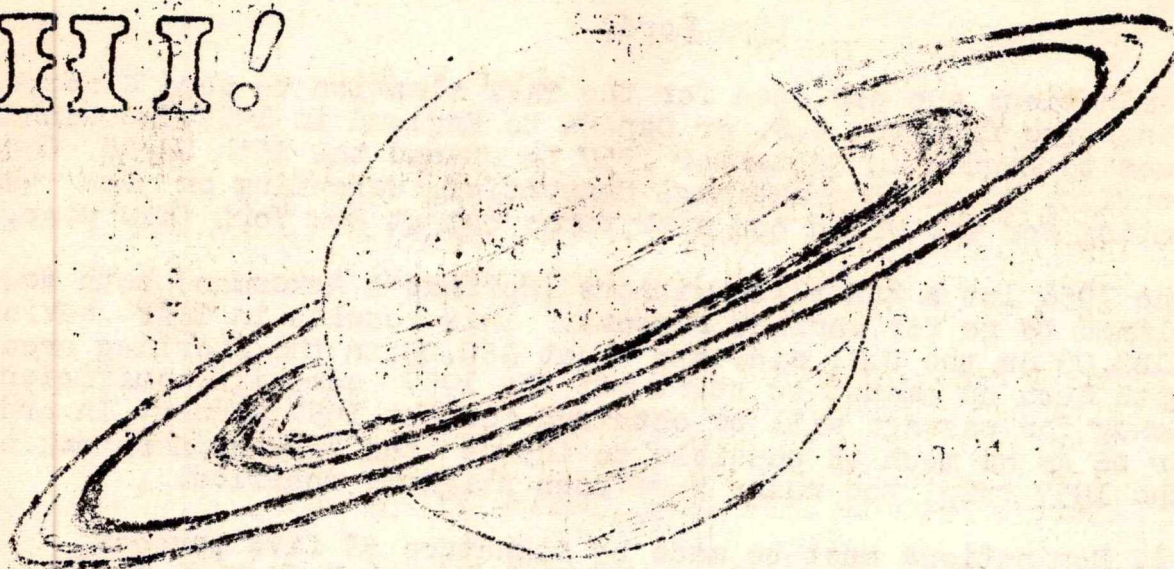
(Sir James Jeans):- Mankind is at the very beginning of its existence, and has only just begun to notice the cosmos. It is hardly likely to interpret it right in the first few moments its eyes are open.

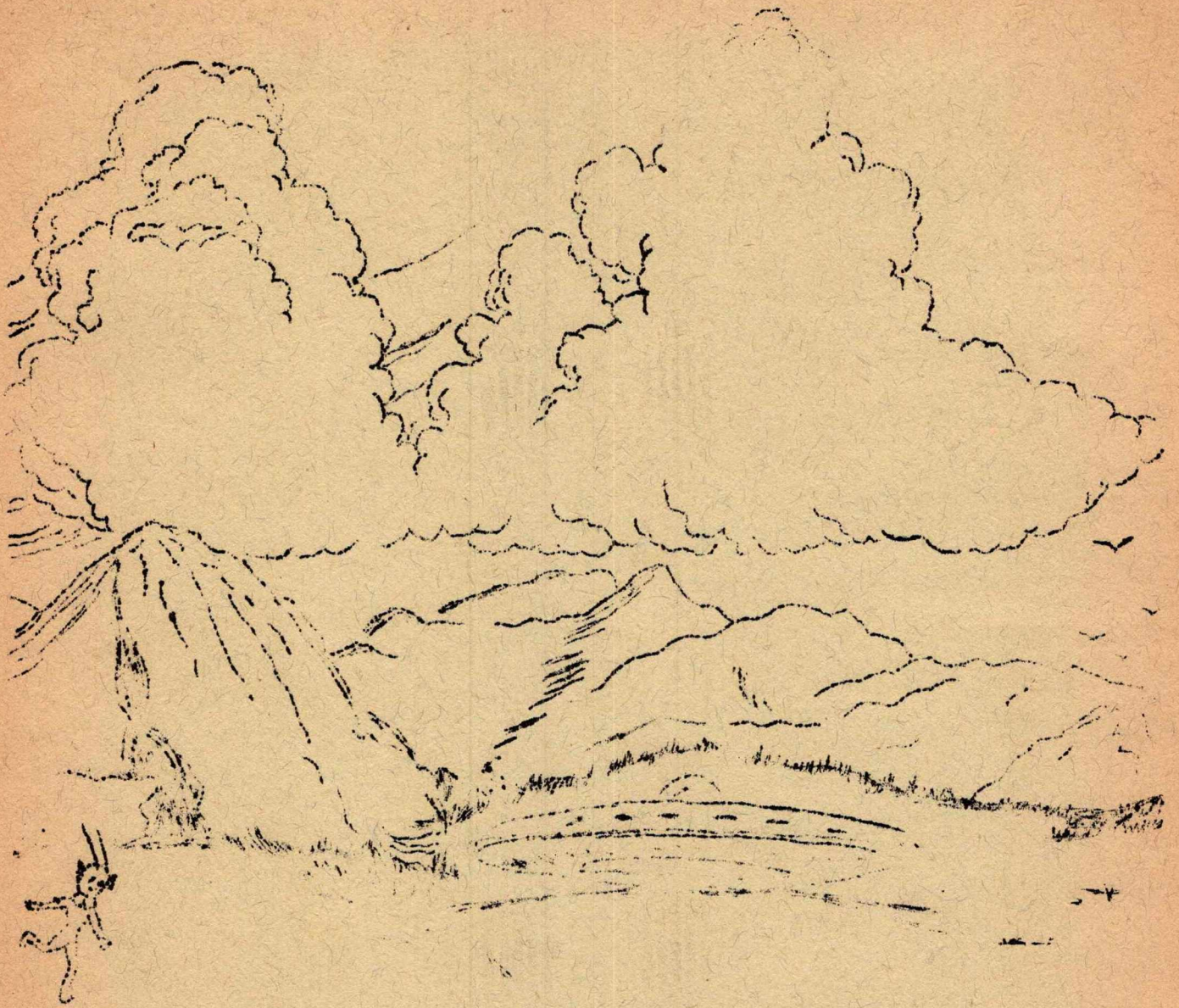
I've made a beautiful discovery! Possibobble most of you knew it (the thing I've just found out), long ago. Dusted the pressure-roller with talcum powder and it certainly makes a big difference in my "print" - Also trying new brand of ink. Just received an order of Speed-O-Print stencils- and this is one, the first, I am typing. When said "I discovered

Meant that I read it in a page of hints to amateurs. Wind is blowing quite a gale tonight.. Making plenty noise, so my typing isn't bothering anyone. We had a light snow-fall May 3rd.



HI!





FLINT

